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DIAGNOSING AND MONITORING AUTO IMMUNE AND CHRONIC INFLAMMATORY

DISEASES

Examiner: J. Martinell

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed April 23, 2008 (Paper No. 20080421) for which a response was due on May 23, 2008. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to June 23, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Applicant hereby provisionally elects SEQ ID NO: 739 for continued examination without traverse and amends claims to reflect the election.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.